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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

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Application No.:

09/320,252

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For:

METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR EXECUTING

A TRANSACTION TASK WITHIN A TRANSACTION PROCESSING SYSTEM

EMPLOYING SYMMETRIC MIII.TIPROCESSORS

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PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME PURSUANT TO 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a)

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

In accordance with 37 C.F. R. § 1.136(a), the Applicants for the above-identified application respectfully Petition the Commissioner for a one (1) month extension of time, extending the period for response to, from the dated. A check for \$110.00 (petition filing fee) is attached.

If it should be determined that a longer extension of time is required to prevent this application from being abandoned, please charge any additional fees to Deposit Account No. 02-2666. A copy of the Fee Transmittal is enclosed for deposit account charging purposes.

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